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Alabamians deliberate Amendment One

On Sept. 9 voters must muddle through all the facts and figures and choose a side

By Rosalind Moore
The Chanticleer News Editor

Alabama is on the brink of an economic decision that supporters say will bring the state hurtling out of debt, while opposers believe it will burden the taxpayers with the hidden agendas of legislators.

Many Alabamians just want to know the facts about the tax plan. Does it represent a sound investment for the future of Alabama? What does the tax plan mean for the state of Alabama and its citizens?

Gov. Bob Riley is scheduled to speak this afternoon at 5:30 p.m. on Jacksonville's town square concerning the provisions of his accountability and tax reform proposal. Forums such as Riley's tax rally and Web sites that oppose tax reform, such as Rileyrate.com, are the best ways to find out information from both sides. The key to Alabama's battle with tax reform is for citizens to become well-informed by Sept. 9.

Supporters and opposers of Riley's tax proposal agree that Alabama has fallen into one of the worst financial situations since the Great Depression. What they do not agree on, however, is a solution to this problem.

Alabama's Partnership for Progress put out a publication called "Laying the Foundation for Greatness" that touches on how Alabama got into this financial slump. The publication stresses that Riley's options were limited.

In the booklet, Riley wrote a letter to the people of Alabama saying, "My fellow Alabamians, it is time to choose. It is a choice between being first in education or last; a choice between protecting our seniors or imposing devastating cuts in healthcare; a choice between locking up violent criminals or being forced to release them early; and ultimately a choice between going down the same path of under-

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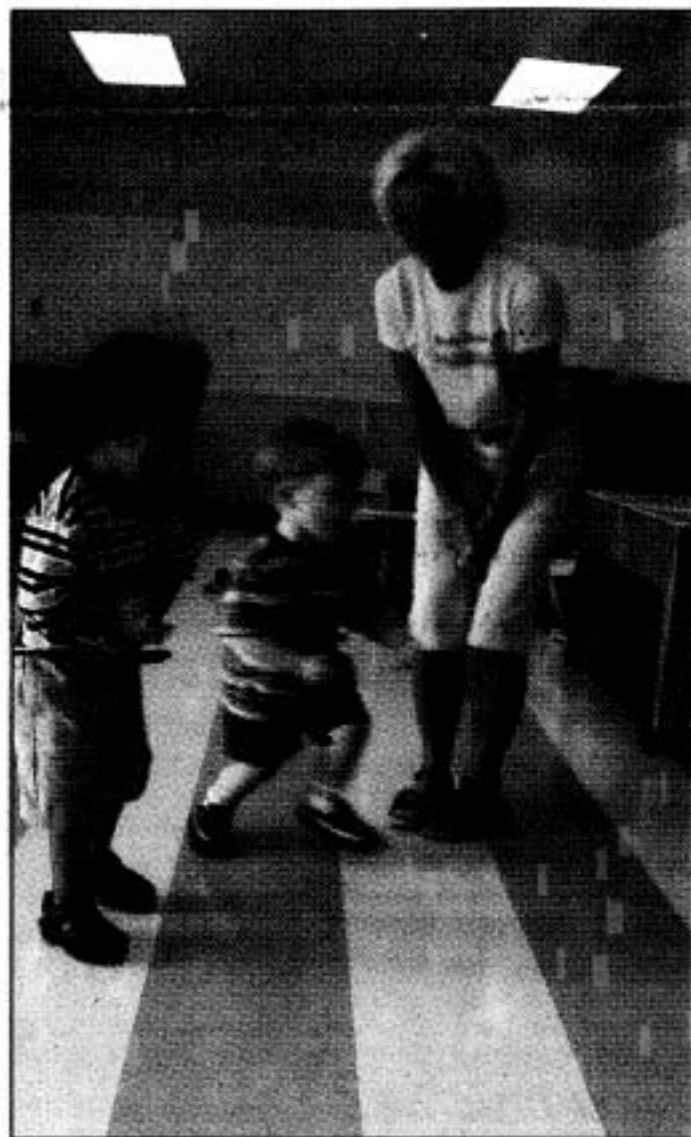
Courtesy of JSU/ Steve Latham

Gov. Bob Riley is greeted by JSU students Emily Williams and Tim King, and Assistant Director of Student Life, Megan Radisson during a recent visit to JSU's campus to talk about his accountability and tax reform proposal. He will be in Jacksonville this evening for a tax reform rally on Jacksonville Square at 5:30 p.m.

New JSU Child Development Center provides extended learning environment for JSU Students

Riley plan behind in polls

Mobile Register-University of South Alabama poll



The Chanticleer/ Danni Lusk

Tanya Kerr, a teacher at the JSU Child Development Center, watches 2-year-old toddlers as they romp about in the indoor playroom.

By Danni Lusk
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief

JSU's Child Development Center is achieving two goals at the same time by servicing the community and providing an "extended learning environment" for University students.

"We offer a larger time frame for students to come with their classes and have this extended learning environment," said Kristi Triplett, the center's director.

University students in the family and consumer sciences, drama, physical education and nursing departments will benefit from the center, she said. Each department will contribute a different service to the center, which is located in McClellan, formerly Ft. McClellan.

Family and consumer science students have the opportunity to get hands-on experience with children in a range from infants to 5-year-olds. Since the old child-care facility in Mason Hall is only open for half a day, students doing their practicums had a very limited time frame, but now with the new center, hours are

available from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., said Triplett.

A multi-purpose room houses a curtained stage where drama department students can perform children's theatre, and physical education students can help teach a tumbling class.

"We want to bring in-house activities as much as we can to the center so that we can alleviate trying to get on a bus and leaving with small children, because that's kind of a scary thing."

Nursing students screen children for hearing, visual and developmental problems and if problems are found, the parents are advised to seek professional help.

Besides providing University students with hands-on experience, the Center also provides a service to the community by providing "outstanding" child care, said Triplett.

Each age group has two classrooms where one certified teacher and two assistants work closely with the children. Learning centers provide the 60 children currently

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Mobile Register-University of South Alabama poll reports 57 percent oppose Amendment One

AP Newswire

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Targeting football crowds, Gov. Bob Riley pressed ahead with his \$1.2 billion tax and education campaign during the Labor Day weekend despite a new statewide poll released Sunday that showed growing opposition to the proposal on the Sept. 9 ballot.

The Mobile Register-University of South Alabama survey found that 57 percent of respondents who identified themselves as "likely" or "very likely" to vote in the referendum said they would oppose the plan "if the referendum were held today." Only 26 percent said they would vote for the plan.

The survey, conducted Monday through Thursday, includes responses from 805 registered Alabama voters. It has a 3.4 percentage points margin of error.

The gap is the widest revealed in three Register-

USA polls conducted since the governor began pitching his plan earlier this summer. Two weeks ago, the spread was 25 points and it was 23 points at the end of July.

Riley press secretary David Azbell said the poll results would not alter Riley's strategy.

"We have to keep getting our message out to the people who will be most helped by this plan," he said.

In Huntsville Saturday, Riley told a crowd at Alabama A&M University before the Jacksonville State football game: "We have a little over a week to change our state, a little over a week to change people's minds, and a little over a week to change people's hearts."

A&M students registered to vote said their teachers often talk to them about the proposed plan.

"We have a lot of stu-

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Students may get a shock: UPD gets "The Taser"

By Daniel Spratlin
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

It's pretty hard to knock University Police Officer Carnell Buford to the ground. But the 6-1, 248-pound officer crumpled in a split sec-

ond — and let out a helpless yelp — Friday, when he was hit with the department's newest weapon.

A weapon that is yellow and black and stings like 50,000 bees.

The Taser, or stun gun, delivers a 50,000-volt shock

from as far as 21 feet away, but officials say it doesn't cause any serious or permanent injuries.

The department is adopting them in an effort to reduce the number of injuries sustained by suspects, bystanders and police that

occur when officers have to fight with suspects.

The Taser is already used in over 1,800 agencies throughout the country.

This month, the University Police Department added three brand-new Tasers to their less-than-lethal arsenal

for around \$400 each, something that the Jacksonville Police Department did three years ago.

When asked about purchasing more Tasers, Chief Terry Schneider, JSU director of Public Safety, said, "We'll see how it works out," going

on to say that, "if three is enough to meet any potential violent threat that should come, then we will stay with three. If we need more, then we will get more,

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By the numbers:

Number of voter registration forms downloaded online:

1500

Gamecock Scoreboard:

Football:

Aug. 30 - JSU 9, A&M 3

Sept. 13 - vs. North Alabama 7 p.m., 91.9 FM

Volleyball:

Aug. 30 - JSU 3, Gardner-Webb 0

Soccer:

Aug. 29 - Alabama 7, JSU 2

Aug. 31 - Birmingham-Southern 1, JSU 0

Sunday - at Mississippi Valley State

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achievement or forging a new direction of excellence in Alabama."

According to Rileyrate.com, which is maintained by the Tax Accountability Coalition, Governor Riley's plan could cost Alabama residents more than 24,000 jobs, increase property taxes by more than \$400 million, place 90 percent of the \$1.3 billion annual tax increase on working families, homeowners and farmers, and would be the largest tax increase in the history of the state.

They believe that although some type of reform is a good idea, Riley has taken a good idea and created a bad plan.

Major points of reform, introduced on the Alabama Partnership for Progress funded Web site, AbetterAlabama.com, include things the Riley Administration has already implemented to save \$230 million over the next fiscal year.

The supporters boast that Riley has already implemented the banning of pass-through pork, cut his own staff by 30 percent and his own salary by 5 percent, reduced travel benefits for state employees and reformed the Medicaid drug program.

The publication, "Laying the Foundation for Greatness" also outlines what may happen to Alabama if the bill does not pass. It maintains that Alabama will be \$700 million shy of a balanced state budget and that Alabama will fall even farther behind. The basic services provided by the state will be slashed.

Bill supporters say critical state services will be cut after Oct. 1 if the bill does not pass. These cuts will include such things as eliminating nursing

allowing 25 of the poorest school systems to go bankrupt, affecting 100,000 children, threatening healthcare access for 450,000 citizens (which is 1-in-10 Alabamians), releasing over 5,000 prisoners into neighborhoods and cutting Alabama's already depleted state trooper force by one-third.

The opposition site, Rileyrate.com contends that although Riley's plan will exempt some lower income families from state income tax, increases in other services such as a tax on car repairs, property tax for homes and rental proper-

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• **Lori Owens**
JSU Political Science
Professor

ty, and higher energy bills, will offset any break received in other areas of the plan.

One of the major concerns of opposers is that while part of the money generated by the plan will be earmarked for education reform, college scholarships and the Alabama Reading Initiative, it will leave \$185 million up to the governor's discretion.

Dr. Lori Owens, supporter of Bob Riley's tax plan and professor in the Political Science department, stated that "\$675 million will go to the deficit which includes rising healthcare costs, previous administration obligations, relief for court orders regarding Alabama mental healthcare, prisons and the

troopers and help fund other needy areas.

"\$344 million is a direct investment into Alabama's education system," said Owens. "People say that they wouldn't mind paying more in taxes if they knew it was going to education. Well, \$344 million will go to education. That includes the Alabama Reading Initiative, the Math and Science Initiative, the college scholarship program, classroom supplies, textbooks and funding for local school systems."

The Tax Accountability Coalition believes that the lack of accountability found in the tax plan would allow leaders and politicians in Montgomery to spend the extra revenue unwisely. They believe this will leave Alabama in a worse predicament. They want to stop the waste before it starts. On the other hand, supporters blame earmarking for part of Alabama's predicament. They believe that for years Alabama could not spend money on the most important areas because of earmarking.

"This plan has more accountability in it than the people of this state have seen in years," Owens said. "People are concerned about the legislators not properly spending the money. The governor is creating a citizens commission that will monitor these funds on a monthly basis."

The information found by this commission will be available to the media and, according to supporters, will add another way to hold Montgomery accountable.

The bottom line behind the facts and figures of the tax proposal is a focus on change. Tax Accountability Coalition members and members of the Alabama Partnership for



Courtesy of JSU/Steve Latham

Gov. Bob Riley discusses tax reform issues with JSU President William Meehan during a recent visit to Jacksonville State University in early August.

clearly view the issues and legislation differently, they do agree that change is necessary.

"People who are critical of this plan either do not have a

progressive. It's the right thing to do," said Owens. "If this plan fails, it will be decades before another governor has the nerve to pick the torch up again, and

one of the top 10 states to live in."

The choice lies in the hands of the people of Alabama. It is up to those citizens to decide which

things as eliminating nursing home eligibility for 6,900 seniors on Medicaid and 800,000 meals to the elderly,

orders regarding Alabama mental healthcare, prisons and the foster care program. With these funds, the governor wants to stabilize new funding for state

bers and members of the Alabama Partnership for Progress stress the importance of knowledge on their individual Web sites. Although they

"People who are critical of this plan either do not have a grasp on how dire the situation is, or are being short-sided and greedy. This tax plan is fair. It's

another governor has the nerve to pick the torch up again, and we would just slide on down to 50th in education. We should be number one. We should be

the people of Alabama. It is up to those citizens to decide which side they believe in and how they believe a better Alabama can be achieved.

Alabama smoking laws take effect this week

Clean Indoor Air Act bans smoking in public facilities such as hospitals, schools as well as retail businesses, restrooms and taxi cabs

AP Newswire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – Be careful where you light up, Alabama.

The **Alabama Clean Indoor Air Act** took effect Monday, meaning smokers can't **smoke** in **hospitals**, schools, most retail businesses, **elevators**, buses and taxicabs except in **designated** areas.

It's up to the owner's discretion at bars, restaurants and most workplaces.

Alabama is the 49th state in the **nation** to pass a law restricting **tobacco** use in public places, according to

the National Conference of State Legislatures. Wyoming is the only hold-out.

State Sen. Vivian Figures, D-Mobile, sponsored the legislation after having an asthma attack on the Senate floor.

She pushed for legislation restricting smoking in public for six years before settling in June for a watered-down version excluding most workplaces.

The law also prohibits smoking in government buildings, except private offices; restrooms; service lines; polling places; and the lobbies and hallways of

multi-unit buildings.

Smoking areas in these places must be kept to a quarter of the space's total square footage.

Freda Posey, a division director of government relations for the American Cancer Society, said Alabama's law is a starting point.

"We are just glad to have something on the books, finally," Posey said. "The reality is that most Alabamians are nonsmokers."

Violators face civil fines of \$50 for proprietors and \$25 for smokers.

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dents from other states who don't really know or understand what it's about," freshman Yasmin Jackson, 18, of Aliceville, told The Huntsville Times. "It comes up in just about every class."

Sophomore Jordan Jones, 19, a native of St. Louis, Mo., said he doesn't think much about the plan.

"From everything I have heard and my basic analysis, I will not vote yes, but that's just my opinion," he said.

Bob Gambacurta of Montgomery, a spokesman for the Tax Accountability Coalition, which represents opponents of the tax plan, said it's "a little spooky to be this far ahead" in the latest Mobile poll.

"The last thing we want to

see is opponents of this tax plan get complacent and get up on election day to go fishing or play golf because they assume this thing is a done deal," he told the Register.

Activists on each side declined to discuss their own internal polling results. But a spokeswoman for the Alabama Partnership for Progress, the business and civic coalition group organizing support for the plan, contended that the Register-USA poll did not reflect reality.

"We have not seen any polling that reflects these numbers," said Marty Sullivan. "In fact, other data we have seen, including our own internal tracking, are not close to the numbers you are showing in this poll."

Sullivan's group ran television ads this football week-

end featuring endorsements of Riley's plan by former Alabama coach Gene Stallings and former Auburn coach Pat Dye.

Taking specific demographics into account, the poll found little difference in support between Republicans and Democrats, men and women, blacks and whites or among different income brackets. The most significant movement from previous polls was an increased number of undecided black voters.

Many political experts have said Riley would need overwhelming support from the black community and lower income voters. That support has not materialized, according to the Register-USA polls.

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• **Baptist Campus Ministries** – Hey JSU! Come to the Baptist Campus Ministries every Tuesday night @ 8 for Celebration, Thursday nights @ 6 for Bible Study and every Wednesday from 11:15-12:15 p.m. for AGAPE Lunch (where your first time is FREE!). The BCM Golf Tournament is Saturday, Sept. 20. **Contact:** Gary, 435-7020 or gbrittn@jsucc.jsu.edu.

• **Auditions for Hearing Impaired Show** – Auditions for hearing impaired show, Sign Me Alice by Gilbert C. Eastman will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 10 and Thursday, Sept. 11 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 338 Stone Center. Hearing roles are available. **Contact:** jeffkleborn@collegeclub.com.

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CAMPUS CRIME

• April 29 – Charles Houston Dudley, 34, was arrested by JSUPD for DUI occurring on Highway 21.

• April 28 – Joshua Allen Williams, 20, was arrested by JSUPD for possession of drug paraphernalia occurring on Forney Avenue.

• April 28 – Jamie Casey Godfrey, 18, was arrested by JSUPD for DUI occurring at Mountain Street and Forney Avenue.

Information in the Campus Crime column is obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department in Salls Hall. These records are public documents which any individual has the right to examine under Alabama state law. If you believe this information to be in error, please call 782-5701, or contact JSUPD at 782-5050.

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enrolled with hands-on learning opportunities in lessons about colors, insects and even careers. Each day the center focuses on a particular unit the teacher is doing that day.

"We don't push the children to learn," said Triplett. "We want learning to be fun."

After spending most of the morning in the learning centers, the children are served their second hot meal of the day at lunch and then spend the afternoon taking a nap and playing.

Two hot meals are served every day to the students, which is currently being delivered by JSU's Sodexo dining service. When the center gets 125 students enrolled, the meal service will then provide the center with its own chef to make use of the recently updated commercial kitchen,

said Triplett.

A typical breakfast might be a cheese omelet and strawberries and for lunch, cheese quesadillas, macaroni and cheese and broccoli. Two snacks are also served every day, in the morning and the afternoon. Menus are made by certified dietician Dr. Tim Roberts, according to Triplett.

One of the most unique things about the center, according to Triplett, is the number of safety features it has. There is a camera in each room, which is monitored by employees in the office and will soon be able to be monitored by parents themselves. The goal is to provide Internet access to a particular parent's child's classroom by using a username and password. Although this service is not yet available, technicians are working on it, said Triplett.

"If [the parents] get to work

and they're worried (because) their child didn't feel well that morning," she said, "they can pull it up on the Internet and check on them."

Also, telephones in each classroom provide easier communication between the office and the classroom, she said.

Three enclosed play-grounds provide an age-appropriate play area with equipment that is sized to fit a particular age group. Two indoor playrooms are also available for rainy days, said Triplett.

With all of these features, the Child Development Center provides a service to the community and JSU students.

"We are here to be a service to the community," said Triplett, "because they're helping us because we are training the students of today for tomorrow."



The Chanticleer/Danni Lusk

Teacher Barbara Sterns reads a book about Johnny Appleseed to the 4-year-olds at JSU's Child Development Center. The center opened in early August.

Baghdad police headquarters bombing kills one

Terrorist violence continues at a steady rate in newly liberated Iraq, Occupation forces blamed

By Ken Dilanian and Hannah Allam
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The drumbeat of terrorist violence in Iraq continued Tuesday as a car bomb exploded outside the national police headquarters in Baghdad, killing one officer and wounding more than a dozen, authorities and hospital officials said.

A few hours later, a member of the U.S.-appointed Iraq Governing Council — the brother of the cleric who was killed in Friday's much larger bombing in Najaf — angrily called for an end to the American-led occupation.

"The occupation force is primarily responsible for the



Detroit Free Press/Mandi Wright

Iraqi police officer, Dawood Ibraheem, is escorted to a vehicle to take him home after he was treated for injuries caused by a car bomb that exploded outside of the police academy at the Al-resafa Iraqi police headquarters in Baghdad, Iraq, on Tuesday, Sept. 2.

been working with the American-backed provisional government are turning against it. Shiites make up 60 percent of the country, and so far most of them haven't been actively hostile to the provisional government.

The bombing near the heavily guarded police headquarters was also troubling, because it underscored that anti-coalition fighters are increasingly resorting to terrorism against those who cooperate with the coalition.

Iraqi police were investigating how the pickup truck containing the bomb got past a police checkpoint and into an impound lot next to the headquarters, said a U.S.

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but I think that three is sufficient."

The Taser uses high voltage and low amperage to temporarily disable a suspect for several minutes. The Taser does not rely on pain for results; instead, the energy stored in the gun is dumped into the suspect's muscles causing them to do a great deal of work rapidly.

In short, tased suspects are unable to produce energy for their muscles, and their bodies are unable to function properly.

The Taser also interrupts the tiny neurological impulses that control and direct voluntary muscle movement. When the neuromuscular system is overwhelmed and controlled by the Taser, the suspect's knees lock up, and the per-

pepper spray, though, officers are not required to experience the feeling of being tased. Nonetheless, Chief Schneider felt that, if needed in court, a firsthand experience would hold up better.

Leading by example, Chief Schneider was the first to step up to the plate and feel the sting of the Taser. Even UPD secretary Karen Bates, showing her unwavering commitment to the department, volunteered to be tased, and her reaction to the 50,000-volt shock was summed up in one word: "Dammit!"

But that response would have been much more resounding had she been hit with a face full of pepper spray or whacked with a baton. Sebastian Cole, a Taser International Inc. representative, says that, "the

American-led occupation.

"The occupation force is primarily responsible for the pure blood that was spilled in holy Najaf," Abdel-Aziz al Hakim told hundreds of thousands of people who had gathered at the funeral for his brother,

Ayatollah Mohammad Baqir al Hakim. The cleric died Friday along with as many as 120 others when a bomb exploded outside one of Islam's most revered Shiite mosques.

"Iraq must not remain occupied and the occupation must leave so that we can build Iraq as God wants us to do," Hakim said in Najaf.

outside of the police academy at the American-led occupation in Baghdad, Iraq, on Tuesday, Sept. 2.

The incidents underscored the growing challenge to the U.S.-led occupation of the country, where security is deteriorating as more of the population, including some Shiite Muslims who initially welcomed Saddam Hussein's defeat, turns against the United States.

Also on Tuesday, the American-led coalition said two U.S. soldiers had been killed and a third wounded when a bomb exploded Monday near their convoy in southern Iraq. A UH-60 Black

Hawk helicopter also crashed south of Baghdad, killing one American soldier and injuring another. The crash wasn't caused by hostile fire, military spokesmen said.

Coalition officials say it's unfair to blame U.S. forces for the mosque bombing since they weren't guarding the building, because they'd been asked to stay away out of respect for Shiite sensitivities.

Fair or not, Hakim's comments suggested that moderate Shiite Muslims who have

an impound lot next to the headquarters, said a U.S. adviser who asked not to be named. Iraqi police said it wasn't a suicide attack, and that the bomb might have been detonated by remote control.

"How it got there is suspect," the adviser said. "All cars that go in there should be checked."

Iraqi police officials said Baghdad police chief Hassan Ali, whose office was damaged, appeared to have been the target of the attack. Ali wasn't in the building at the time, police said.

the Taser, the suspect's knees lock up, and the person falls to the ground.

In police studies, the Taser has a higher instant incapacitation rate than a 9 mm pistol. "It [the Taser] has been tested on over 4,000 people in training environments and only five have ever remained standing. Out of those five, not one has ever advanced on them," says UPD Sergeant Alan Cohen.

Each UPD officer has gone through a four-hour training class on how to use the Taser and how to handle a tased suspect. Unlike with

Taser International Inc. representative, says that, "the reason that they [Tasers] are becoming so popular is partly due to the public outcry about police violence and excessive use of force.

Pepper spray not only doesn't affect some suspects, it takes about 20-30 minutes to clean up the person or persons affected. With batons, you can seriously injure a person if you don't hit them correctly.

One misdirected hit can permanently disfigure or even kill a suspect. Tasers, on the other hand, are much less aggressive. They get the job done more effectively than other methods, and they look better."

When asked what he meant by "look better," Mr. Cole responded, "In today's sue-happy world, you have to be careful. Tasing someone looks a lot better on the nightly news, than beating them with a baton or blinding them with pepper spray."

Many students at JSU feel the same way as Mr. Cole. Gerhard Mathangani, a sophomore and communications major, commented, "as opposed to it [pepper spray and batons], I think that it is an all-right idea. It's not like the brutality of batons and pepper spray. It's not harmless, but there isn't any lasting damage. It is quick and effective. I would rather have the police use them [Tasers] than batons and pepper spray."

UPD plans to demonstrate their new toy to the student body in the upcoming months in an effort to spread the word and educate everyone about the Taser.

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OPINION

IN YOUR VIEW: QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**"How do you plan to
vote in the tax
referendum on
Sept. 9, and why?"**

--Compiled by
Gary Lewis
Managing Editor



Jeremy Crowder
Junior
Social studies education

"Yes, because it's not fair the way the tax system is set up. It's unfair to the poor, and the wealthy don't pay enough. Also, I'm going into education."



Kizzie Gooden
Senior
General studies

"I will probably vote yes, to help out the schools."

Perhaps focus should be on meaning of Ten Commandments

By J.R. Labbe

Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

What is it about "Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image" that the people kneeling before 5,280 pounds of stone known as "Roy's Rock" don't get?

Perhaps those believers who gathered in the Alabama Supreme Court lobby should have opened their eyes and read the Ten Commandments before being hauled off to jail.

Graven images are a no-no. And making an idol out of a public official who compares himself to Daniel and Moses has got to evoke a heavenly tsk-tsk.

Don't misread my disappointment with people who allow their religion to be used as a political foil as disapproval of their faith or their right to express it. It's just that the appropriate place for the Ten Commandments to be etched is on the heart, not on a hunk of granite ensconced in a public courthouse.

No one is telling Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore, who is the choir director of this discordant hallelujah chorus, or any of his misguided followers that they can't practice their

faith or acknowledge God.

As much as this scene may sound like Armageddon in Alabama, religious freedom is not under attack in America. What higher courts have said is that a monument erected in a "public" place specifically as an endorsement of religion does not pass the First Amendment test.

The Ten Commandments are displayed in the U.S. Supreme Court. But context is everything. They, along with a depiction of Moses, are part of a larger frieze that includes other historical figures of law, like Hammurabi and Confucius.

Moore has made no attempt to put his shrine in a historical context, nor have any of his sup-

porters suggested that a plaque quoting, say, the Koran would be a welcome addition.

Supporters of the monument's continued presence in a "public" courthouse are using this issue as the platform for their broader anger over judges who have, in their estimation, turned their backs on the moral "Christian" values that made this country great. They cite, for example, the recent decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn Texas' sodomy laws.

"This is not about a monument!" the Rev. Pat Mahoney, director of the Christian Defense Coalition, shouted in network video footage from the steps of the courthouse. "This is about resisting tyranny!"

But "activist" and "tyrannical" accurately describe Moore, the "Moses of Alabama," whose defiance of higher courts' orders to remove the monument smacks of demagoguery.

Moore knew the game rules of being a "public" official when he put on those black robes. He swore an oath — something that certain branches of the Christian family would view as blasphemous — that he would uphold the Constitution of the United States. All of it.

Judges can't pick and choose which parts of the Constitution they want to enforce and which they want to ignore, just as Christians can't pick which commandments work for them and ignore the ones that are just too hard to keep — not unless they want to suffer damning consequences.

"Public" means that every American who walks through the doors of that courthouse — Christian, Jew, Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim, atheist and pagan — can expect equal treatment under the law. Just as there is no religious test for the men and women who seek public office, there should be no religious test for Americans to expect justice.

No one is telling Moore that his acknowledgment of God is irrelevant when it comes to exercising justice. I imagine most peo-

ple who stand before his bench pray that he will be merciful.

The saddest chapter of this story is the number of protesting Christians who believe that they are being persecuted, that this nation has moved away from its "Christian" roots.

Please. Being barred from reciting the Lord's Prayer over the PA system before kick-off at a public high school football game hardly ranks as persecution when in places like Sudan, Afghanistan and India, Christians are being attacked and killed because of their faith.

I repeat: Context is everything.

The apostle Paul warned that Christians would be persecuted for following Jesus. He knew whereof he spoke; he spent enough time in jail because his faith in Christ was an affront to the Roman theocracy.

But it's doubtful that Paul — the man who wrote that "every person is to be in subjection to the governing authorities" (Romans 13:1) — would have wasted his breath over a rock.

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In tough fiscal times, colleges and universities must demonstrate their value

By William F. Walker

KRT Forum

State-supported universities and colleges must devise new strategies if they are to weather the fiscal crisis confronting them and preserve their vital

University, which I serve as president, has suffered similarly, though we remain affordable relative to peers in our region. Thanks to factors peculiar to Alabama, Auburn has coped with anemic state support for decades. History has honed our survival skills.

Alabama has six engineering schools, for instance, while Georgia, with nearly twice the population, has just one.

Research must remain one of a public university's three basic missions, along with instruction and community

insufficient to attract the right mix of applicants, that institution's viability must be reconsidered.

Too often, a state's higher education establishment vies for public dollars in a zero-sum game that pits it against those who represent primary and sec-

out the schools."



Beth Howard
Freshman
Education

"No, until politicians show me what they can do with the money they already have. Spend money wisely, and there's no sense in raising taxes."



Amanda Messer
Sophomore
Criminal justice

"Yes, because it will help the schools."



Mardracus Russell
Junior
Secondary education

"Yes, because who needs tuition to go up? Not us."

leges must devise new strategies if they are to weather the fiscal crisis confronting them and preserve their vital role as escalators in our upwardly mobile society.

They are the institutions of first resort for youngsters of modest means, including minorities. And while they train students in every discipline, they are particularly important for those aspiring to professions that communities need badly but pay poorly. Where else can teachers, nurses, librarians and others devoted to public service get an affordable education?

Now, public campuses are becoming less accessible to those who most need them. Across the country, tuition and fees are rising rapidly while programs are being cut. According to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the average hike for in-state students this fall is 12.3 percent. That follows a hefty increase last year. In some states, such as California, increases could approach 30 percent.

The immediate cause is the fiscal woes afflicting most states, prompting legislators and governors to savage higher education budgets. Auburn

to Alabama, Auburn has coped with anemic state support for decades. History has honed our survival skills.

This experience tells me that while plunging states' revenues is the crisis de jour, state-supported higher education faces a more basic challenge. The fact that many state governments have inflicted deeper cuts on our institutions than on other programs demonstrates a deficit of political will to maintain affordable public universities.

Alabama Gov. Bob Riley seeks to modernize the state's archaic tax system. His bold initiative is up for voter approval in September. Like most Alabama educators, I support it. However, none of the additional funds to be generated would be earmarked for higher education. Authorities have made clear that we must stake our claim by demonstrating anew the value of investing tax dollars in us. This need is emerging in many states. Priorities vary with venue, but I suggest that five measures apply widely.

We must reverse the trend toward program duplication. Just as hospitals with many empty beds drain scarce public health dollars, redundant campuses consume education funds ineffi-

Research must remain one of a public university's three basic missions, along with instruction and community outreach, but we can better focus research on projects that demonstrably promote economic development in our states. The vigorous role played by Duke, the University of North Carolina and North Carolina State in Research Triangle Park – a great asset to their state's economy – is a model to be followed.

In practicing community outreach, we should concentrate on programs that broaden our support base by serving appropriate constituencies in meaningful ways. Universities should pursue more programs similar to our College of Agriculture's contribution to catfish farming. It helped make Alabama a world leader in catfish production.

All state universities want some students from elsewhere and charge them higher tuition. But schools that have difficulty finding enough qualified recruits often lower that differential to the point where the host state's taxpayers, in practical terms, pick up the tab. This is a mistake in both academic and political terms. If a school's merits are

establishment vies for public dollars in a zero-sum game that pits it against those who represent primary and secondary schools. This divisive approach should give way to a holistic one. We should create alliances to make the case that public education at all levels serves the public interest.

Accountability has become a buzzword in several sectors of society for good reason. The polity demands it. Public universities and colleges must accommodate that demand if they are to prevent the current fiscal crisis from becoming a chronic condition.

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Dear Editor Lusk:

After reading your editorial last week I felt compelled to describe some of the negative consequences our students will face if the tax reform and accountability amendment fails on Sept. 9.

A "no" vote will mean an estimated loss of \$2 to \$3 million at JSU.

Students will see larger classes, out-of-control tuition, fewer scholarships, a reduction in student worker jobs and fewer faculty (as a result of not being able to fill vacant positions). Everyone will be affected.

If the plan fails, one of the hardest-hit groups of citizens will be college students and their parents. At JSU, where tuition was raised \$150 per semes-

ter in April 2003, the best estimates show that tuition could easily soar another 10 percent if the governor's tax plan does not pass.

Tuition increases that are imposed due to state funding cuts are nothing more than another form of taxation. And this means that the people least able to afford the higher taxes will be the most harshly taxed in an indirect way.

Gov. Riley's plan does away with the need to continue to raise sales tax, which strongly affects students. (If the plan fails) sales tax will increase dramatically causing a nickel-and-dime effect for students to the tune of several hundred dollars in an academic year.

You are absolutely right: it is a matter of trust! I

trust Gov. Bob Riley and believe in the accountability measures that will be established in this amendment – which includes stiff fines and jail time if legislators act irresponsibly. And it includes a citizens oversight committee that will ensure the proper use and management of all new money.

You can vote "yes" on Sept. 9 with confidence and trust. Voting yes is indeed the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

William A. Meehan
JSU President

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A TIDE SWEEPS THROUGH BROTHER'S BAR

By Danni Lusk
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief

The sound of '70s rock has come back in the form of the Philadelphia band Silvertide.

Their Tuesday night performance at Brother's Bar proved that a good music style never really dies with the times, but instead re-invents itself.

The rock re-invention that is Silvertide has been together for about two and a half years and already have a record deal with Clive Davis' J Records. Their first full-length album, titled "American Excess," comes out in January.

This five-piece rock group has been very fortunate with their success, said bassist Brian Weaver in a recent interview with The Chanticleer.

Here's what else he had to say about the band:

Chanticleer: I've heard you guys have opened for Aerosmith. Are there any other major acts you've shared the stage with?

Brian: We've been fortunate enough to play with some big-name bands like Journey, Fuel ... we even did a five-show tour with Alice Cooper.

Chanticleer: It really sounds like you guys have had a

er we opened for Aerosmith, and then about a year later we signed a deal with (Clive Davis') J Records. We just clicked right away when we started playing together. We just had the right chemistry.

Chanticleer: So who does the majority of the song writing?

Brian: Well, about six months after we signed our deal, we all moved in together. Then we spent five or six months writing for our album. What usually happens is one or two of us would come up with ideas and then we would take it from there.

Chanticleer: You have a new album coming out soon, right?

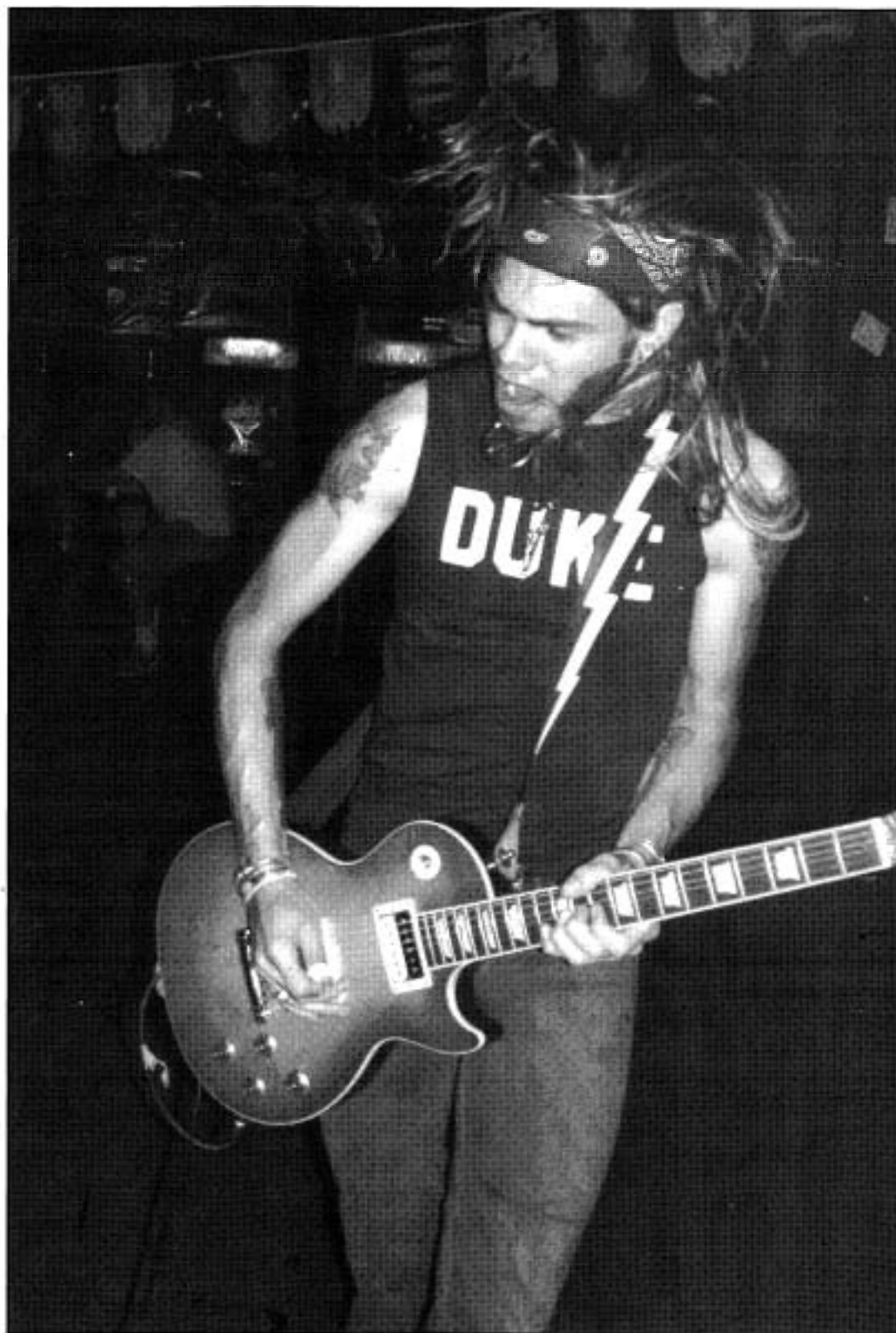
Brian: Yeah.

Chanticleer: When does that happen?

Brian: Right now, we have a three-song EP that you listened to online. But our full-length album comes out in January. We had a really great time working with our producer Oliver Leiber (who's worked with Paula Abdul).

Chanticleer: If you had to put your band's album onto a local CD store shelves, what category would you put it under?

Brian: We try not to classify



The Chanticleer/Danni Lusk

Silvertide lead guitarist Nick Perry gets on the floor with the crowd and rocks out on Tuesday night at Brother's Bar. Silvertide is an original rock band from Philadelphia.

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Even if you won't admit it, you know you like it

By Katja Sunnarborg
The Chanticleer
Features Editor



I'm addicted to "Sex and the City." Yes, I admit it. I've been watching it on TV for a long time, but now that I'm not able to watch it on HBO, because we don't have cable yet where I live, I've been renting and eventually ended up buying a few seasons on DVD. But I'm not alone with my obsession. Other people watch it too, and many of them are men, whether they admit it or not.

So what is it with this show that gets people in front of their TV sets, both men and women? Now it is true, men also watch this show. Even if they deny it, they actually watch it, and most of them like it too. Of course it is a series based on four good looking women talking about men, sex and relationships, so what man or woman wouldn't watch it?

For me, it is because it is funny, the characters talk about things I can relate to in my life, and of course I love the awesome clothes Carrie wears on every episode. Man, I wish I could be so bold too, showing off my personality like that. I don't think I'm the only one on this one. Secretly many of us would like to be like that — brave and carefree.

I also admire the bond these women have with each other. That kind of friendship is rare to

show tour with Alice Cooper. **Chanticleer:** It really sounds like you guys have had success very quickly in your careers. **Brian:** Yeh, we've been really lucky. I mean, after about six months of playing togeth-

under?

Brian: We try not to classify ourselves, but if I had to, I would say rock-n-roll.

Chanticleer: What makes your band different from other bands you play with in the Philadelphia scene?

Brian: Our show makes us

different. We're not like some other bands that just act bored on stage. We try and make everyone have fun just like we are. **Chanticleer:** What would you tell someone who has never seen your show? **Brian:** We always try to have fun on stage. We're really raw and loud and in-your-face. If you like loud music, come see us. (laughs) (Walt, the lead singer, interrupts Brian to have him tell me something.)

Brian: Walt says to tell you he sometimes tries to levitate (on stage). (laughs) **Chanticleer:** (laughing) I'll be sure to let everyone know that.

<http://www.silvertidemusic.com>

Gellin' with fast and easy gelatin recipes in the kitchen

By Allison Askins
Knight Ridder Newspapers

If you think gelatin desserts are just for kids, chances are you've never enjoyed raspberries suspended in champagne gelatin or coffee gelatin served with chocolate shavings and fresh whipped cream.

Normajeane Longfield, who oversees Jell-O recipe development for Kraft foods, said

the dessert continued to change with the times as a sugar-free variety has appeal for diabetics and others watching their weight.

Add to that the regular variety's fat-free status and you have a century-old dessert that easily meets many modern demands - it's quick, easy and weight friendly, too.

COFFEE GELATIN DESSERT

5 servings
3/4 cup white sugar
3 (quarter-ounce) envelopes unflavored gelatin powder
3 cups hot brewed coffee
1 1/3 cups water
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 cup sweetened whipped cream for garnish

In a saucepan, stir together sugar and gelatin. Mix in hot

coffee and water. Cook over low heat, stirring frequently until the gelatin and sugar have dissolved.

Remove from heat; stir in lemon juice. Pour into a 4.5-cup mold or into ramekins.

Refrigerate until set, at least 6 hours or overnight. Serve with whipped cream.

JELL-O SHOOTERS

8 1/4-cup servings

1 box Jell-O (see flavor suggestions below)

2 cups hot water

1/2 cup cold water

1/2 cup alcohol (Vary alcohol amounts: 1/2 cup for 40-proof alcohol, 1/4 cup for 80 proof.)

Prepare Jell-O according to box directions but with above proportions, adding the alcohol. Chill in shot glasses or small paper cups.

I also admire the bond these women have with each other. That kind of friendship is rare to have, and while watching the show, you start to feel like you belong on some level as well. We have the same thoughts, same worries and same goals in life. What you start to realize is that we are all pretty much the same in the end.

It is realistic to a point, which makes it as good as it is. Women and men can relate to the characters and see themselves outside the box. This is also how single people behave whether we like it or not. Casual sex, late nights, partying, one night stands, etc. There is this all-new generation with problems of commitment, and finally there is a show that puts it all out there, no more pretending.

Besides the scenes where one can see glimpses, if you're lucky, of some naked bodies, it is also the rough talk that keeps men watching, I would assume. Why then won't they admit that they like it? Is it so embarrassing to like something that women like as well? Can't there be a show that would be for both sexes?

I know my college friends, mostly guys, come home after late nights at the bar, a bag of McDonalds with them, and eat while watching "Sex and the City." Now they do admit watching it, but say it's "only because there is nothing else to watch." I don't always believe that.

Both guys and girls, women and men, young and old watch this show, because it has something for everybody. Whether we admit it or not, it is not from low ratings that this series has 13 nominations at this year's Emmy Awards, including Outstanding Comedy Series and Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series.

I watch it and will keep watching it because it looks good visually. I can sometimes relate to the problems of the characters, and it makes me laugh. Sometimes their problems are so much worse than mine that it makes me feel "absolutely fabulous" about my life. The only problem I still have is having to justify my addiction to "Sex and the City."

Fashion Designer Anna Sui returns home

By Holly Hanson
Knight Ridder Newspapers

TROY, Mich. — Anna Sui has come back to her hometown, to Marshall Field's at the Somerset Collection in Troy, to meet, greet, sign and pose for a line of fans that snakes through the cosmetics department.

Some of them discovered her on fashion TV, drawn to her sweetly girlish clothes with a rock-star edge. Some remember her from her childhood.

She's the girl who collected clothes and loved rock music and knew from the age of 4 that she wanted to be a fashion designer and live in New York, never mind that her parents thought she ought to go to college and be a doctor or something.

She is the most famous fashion designer to come out of Detroit, and the irony there is that no store in metro Detroit carries her clothes at the moment.

Stores are happy to sell her

cosmetics and fragrances, however. Her perfume line is so successful that she is launching her fourth fragrance, a floral scent called Dolly Girl.

Later this night, she will fly to Chicago for more appearances and then head back to New York to work on her spring 2004 collection, which will debut on a New York runway on Sept. 17.

But this afternoon, there is a window of free time. And for Anna, there is only one way to spend it: Shopping.

A black Lincoln Town Car pulls up in front of Marshall Field's and Anna climbs into the back, heading to lunch at Assagi in Ferndale, Mich.

Though she learned to drive as a teen, she has lost that skill after years of living in New York. (She won't say how many, though published reports say she moved to New York to study fashion design in the mid 1970s. She started her fashion business in 1980.)

"A few years ago, I was out

in L.A. and I rented a car," she says. "And about 2 miles into the driving, I forgot how to drive. I couldn't do left turns. I had to pull over and call the rental company and tell them to come and pick up the car."

She has a better memory for the places she loved as a kid, including a custard shop and a coney island. So many things have changed, she says, especially the stores.

"When I was growing up, the stores had such cool stuff. Winkelman's had Kenzo" - a Japanese designer known for his colorful clothes - "and I had such an extensive collection because it would all get marked down to \$9.99," she says. "Saks and Bonwit's had Courreges and Halston. You could see something in Vogue and just go there and find it."

She loved those clothes.

"That's why I want to go thrift shopping," she says. "Because I think all that stuff must still be here."

Anna is traveling with two



Courtesy Patricia Beck/Detroit Free Press

Designer Anna Sui of New York is interviewed by a Channel 4 television news crew at Marshall Field's at Somerset Collection in Troy, Mich.

publicists, Rachna Shah and Katherine Holmes. They work at KCD Worldwide, a New York firm that handles Gucci, Versace, Yves Saint Laurent and other top fashion names. They keep track of her schedule and stay quietly in the background.

At Assagi, Anna digs into a plate of crab cakes while the group chats about world travel, Red Bull, the raw food diet and Anna's celebrity clients.

Dressing celebs, she says, can be a challenge. "Like some of them are impossible and some are pretty nice," she says. Marilyn Manson, for example.

"When Marilyn Manson asked me to make him something, I said sure," Anna says. He was easy to work with, wanting backless chaps and a coat that Naomi Campbell had

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Stoopid News

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich. — A 45-year-old man was charged with felonious assault after police said he beat a suspected heroin dealer with a prosthetic leg.

Police said Kevin Miele attacked the suspected dealer Tuesday because he believed that his 23-year-old son, who uses the prosthetic leg, had received drugs from him.

Miele also was charged Wednesday with malicious destruction of property, the Morning Sun and The Saginaw News reported. Police said he also used the leg to smash out the windshield on the suspected drug dealer's vehicle.

Miele was being held in the Isabella County Jail on an \$8,000 bond.

Officers from the Bay Area Narcotics Enforcement Team had been investigating the 51-year-old suspected dealer, who was arrested on Tuesday and also was held.

PHOENIX — Neil King took a risk when he shelled out \$75 at a public storage auction for the contents of a broken-down trailer. And it paid off.

As he sorted through the garbage bags of what appeared to old clothes and just junk, he made an aesthetic discovery.

Amid the mess, the 40-year-old Mesa man found artwork by the Flagg family, a group of well-known and eccentric Scottsdale artists, that could be worth as much as \$1 million.

"This is like winning the lottery. This will never happen again," said King, a certified appraiser.

The crafty contents included a wooden American Indian carved by Dee Flagg who drove either a Rolls Royce or a 1914 fire truck around town with the Indian as his passenger. Flagg sported a handlebar mustache and wore Western garb.

Flagg's brother, Monte, often dressed like Buffalo Bill Cody and painted whimsical portraits of American Indian children.

The auction was held two weeks ago after workers at Scottsdale Storage Max failed to contact Flagg's sister, Irene, or other family members, workers said. Irene Flagg had rented space at the storage company since 1993, but stopped making payments earlier this year.

Storage Max manager Iain McLaren said state law prevents buyers from walking inside a locker, or in this case, a trailer, before an auction.

"Sometimes you'll find a box of collector comics," he said. "Mostly, it's a box of dirty underwear."

David Tatum, curator of the Arizona Historical Society in Tempe, declined to estimate the value of the collection, but said that before Dee Flagg's death in 2000, his smaller works fetched \$500.

WHEELING, Ill. — Call it a case of mom gone wild.

A 52-year-old woman has pleaded guilty to assaulting a male stripper after she refused to pay him for what she says was a paltry performance at her daughter's bachelorette party.

Jacqueline A. McMahon was sentenced to 30 days of court

Kings of Leon

Youth and Young Manhood

★★★★

Review by Nick Mackay
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

If South Park has taught us nothing, at least it has taught us the valuable lesson that pig and elephant DNA just won't splice, and a four-assed monkey is very, very cool. I was pondering the basic principles of genetics and gene splicing recently, and I wondered how this could be best applied to our favorite bands.

Think about it. All bands take their influence from somewhere, so it makes sense that some bands would be a genetic mutation of their idols. For instance, if you crossed Public Enemy with, say, Soundgarden, you would come



Courtesy RCA

up with Rage Against the Machine. Cross The Beatles with Nirvana, and you get The Vines (for better or worse). George Clinton spliced with Living Colour would make the Red Hot Chili Peppers. Led Zeppelin and Muddy Waters? The White Stripes. You see what I'm getting at?

Well what about crossing the Allman Brothers and The Strokes? It has been done, kids, and the result is one of the year's biggest buzz bands. Allow me to introduce Kings of Leon.

Hailing from Tennessee, these three brothers and a cousin (all with the last name

Fellowill) are real-life sons of a preacher man, who may as well be the fictional band Stillwater from the movie Almost Famous, because dammit, they look just like 'em. But don't let that fool you. There's a reason they are currently wowing crowds in the UK at major summer festivals.

Their first album, titled "Youth and Young Manhood" is a follow-up to last year's "Holy Roller Novocaine" EP, and it's aptly titled considering the oldest member of the group is 23, while the youngest is 16. The album opens with the ruckus "Red Morning Light," which basically jumps out of the CD player and forces your foot to tap and your head to bob. "Wasted Time" is built on a jangly Strokes-style drum beat and rips through both the chorus and the girl it attacks, "baby don't give it like it used to be."

Track 4, "Joe's Head," features an openly Allmans riff, one generation removed from "Melissa," although it dis-

solves into a rant about a guy who "just killed a man" cause he caught him "laying with my (his) girlfriend." The killer then follows it up with a cigarette for good measure. Singer Nathan Fellowill's gruff screech says dirty south better than Ludacris ever could.

The standout track, however, is "California Waiting." It is basically the reason the Kings of Leon have been tagged "The Strokes of the South." From the opening riff, you'd swear (Strokes guitarist) Albert Hammond, Jr. was on the job, while the rest of the song swaggers and bobs like the Stones drunk on moonshine.

So like the Strokes two years ago, a young, highly attractive, ambitious band has been tagged the next big thing in rock. It's a lofty tag to live up to, but a grounding in the church may help to keep these boys' feet on the ground. So if you want to check them out, these youngsters may be able to teach you something. After all, they are the sons of a preacher man.

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worn on the runway. Courtney Love was a different story, at least at first.

A few years ago, Love came into the Anna Sui store in New York's SoHo neighborhood. She tried on virtually everything in the place, leaving much of it on the floor, and was not shy about voicing her opinion of the clothes.

"Anna shouldn't have done this. Anna shouldn't have done that," she told the store manager. "Anna should have talked to me before she made this dress."

The manager, fed up, offered to get Anna on the phone. Love calmed down and the two made plans to have dinner.

"After that," Anna says,

exude '60s cool.

But she is by no means stuck in the past. She's often into the newest thing before it actually becomes the newest thing.

She is carrying the hottest purse of the summer, an orange rubber tote that resembles the classic Birkin bag by Hermes. (Hermes, not amused by the knockoffs, has filed suit against at least one retailer selling the bags.)

And at the moment, she says, she is listening to new rock bands such as the Libertines and has just bought the new CD by the Ravenettes.

"I'm always trying to find the garage bands," she says. Not to mention a cool '60s dress or two.

She finds plenty at Mother Fletchers, a vintage store just

yellow-and-black print top and skirt that looks like a square-dancing outfit.

Fletcher holds up a yellow shift with appliqued white flowers and a crocheted hem. Its label reads "Sheraton Cadillac, Detroit."

"I'll get that," Anna says. She also buys a yellow checked dress with a bow at the neck.

Fletcher is thrilled. Renee Zellweger was in the store two weeks ago, but that doesn't quite compare to this.

"Wow," he says as he collects Anna's money. "This is like a highlight of my career."

The group strolls over to the Cat's Meow, a tiny store filled with rock-band T-shirts, dog collar necklaces and studded belts.

Anna is examining a Clash

Detroit merchandise to the mix, and she is on her way to meet with Robert Stanzler, the creator of the line.

He is about to open a Made in Detroit store, the company's first. Anna is eager to see it.

The store has a skylight in the ceiling and a map of Detroit painted on the floor. Anna studies a wall display of T-shirts, admiring the graphics. Stanzler brings out some slick black nylon jackets with "Detroit" spelled out on the front, which Anna is considering for her store.

"We'll change the color, do it in orange, so not everyone's walking around in the same color," he says. Anna nods her approval.

Stanzler's new store will include every piece from the Made in Detroit line, as well

was a paltry performance at her daughter's bachelorette party. Jacqueline A. McMahon was sentenced to 30 days of court supervision and ordered to pay \$2,500 restitution to the stripper in a plea deal reached Monday. Prosecutors also agreed to drop battery charges against McMahon's daughter, Carrie L. McMahon, 22, and a bridesmaid.

"What was most important to (the victim) was the restitution," said Assistant State's Attorney Elizabeth Vonau.

The 28-year-old man suffered head injuries, bruises and scratches when he was punched, kicked and hit over the head with a bottle after his performance July 13, 2002, at a Holiday Inn hotel in Crystal Lake.

Police say the partygoers became angered when the stripper showed up late and turned out to be a stand-in for the dancer requested by the hosts. Tensions swelled when the man allegedly cut his show short and without doting enough on the bride.

The scuffle broke out when the stripper tried to collect his fee and McMahon refused to pay, police said.

dinner.

"After that," Anna says, "she would call and ask me to make things."

Anna is wearing an outfit from her spring 2003 "country club" collection, a black zip-front jacket and culottes with a subtle windowpane plaid. Underneath, she has on a black T-shirt commemorating "A True Testimonial," the recent documentary on legendary Detroit rockers the MC5.

"It's so fascinating to hear them talk about those days," she says. "They filmed everything."

"Those days," meaning the 1960s, resonate particularly strongly with Anna. She loves that decade, the clothes, the music, the scene. On her travels this day, she will comb through racks filled with vintage clothing, invariably pulling out the garments that

She finds plenty at Mother Fletchers, a vintage store just down the block from Assagi. She pores over the racks, her long black hair falling in a curtain around her face.

Owner Eric Fletcher comes up to offer help. Suddenly, he realizes who she is.

"I watch you on fashion TV all the time!" he says. "I love your designs!"

Fletcher is so excited he can barely stand still.

"The '60s, we have a lot on the floor right now, but I can fish through our back stock," he says. "We have 100 times more than is here right now. It's a sick compulsion, this business."

Anna flips through the racks, consistently drawn to graphic prints. There's a navy dress with white dots, a blue dress with white flowers and a

belts.

Anna is examining a Clash T-shirt when Jessica Kizer, 16, and two friends come in.

"Ohmigod, are you Anna Sui?" says Jessica, a high school senior. "I can't believe I'm seeing you! Your clothes are just amazing!"

Anna talks a bit about her background and ends with a sales pitch: "Well, they have my perfume at Marshall Field's now. It's called Dolly Girl."

She buys a Clash T-shirt and a book on surfing. The shirt is for trips to the gym, she says. Maybe she'll customize it with gathering or something.

Anna's store in SoHo sells her collection, of course, but it also offers vintage purses, jewelry and other things she likes. She has been toying with the idea of adding Made in

include every piece from the Made in Detroit line, as well as vintage music posters, albums and other Detroit memorabilia.

It will also have vintage sweaters embroidered with the names of Marvin Gaye, Ted Nugent and other local music stars. They were created by Faith Gazic, a member of the Detroit duo Terror at the Opera.

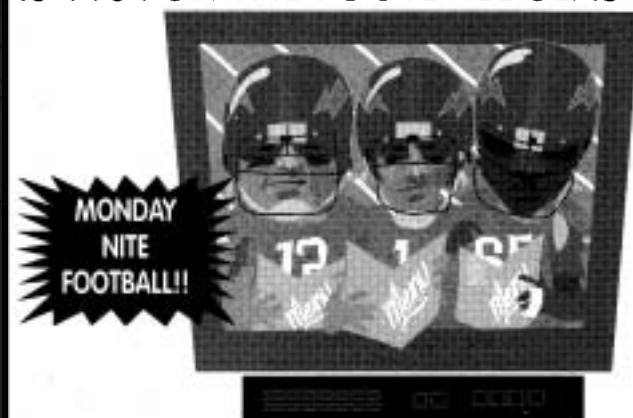
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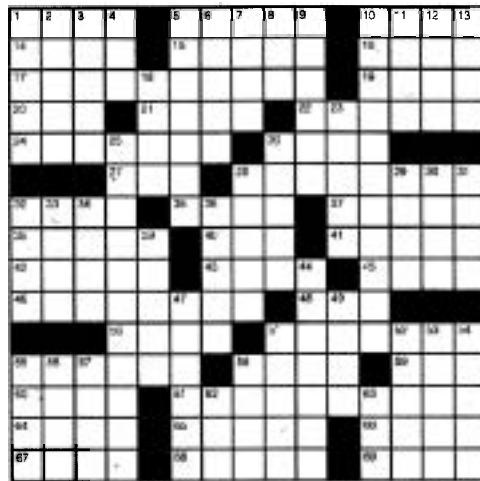
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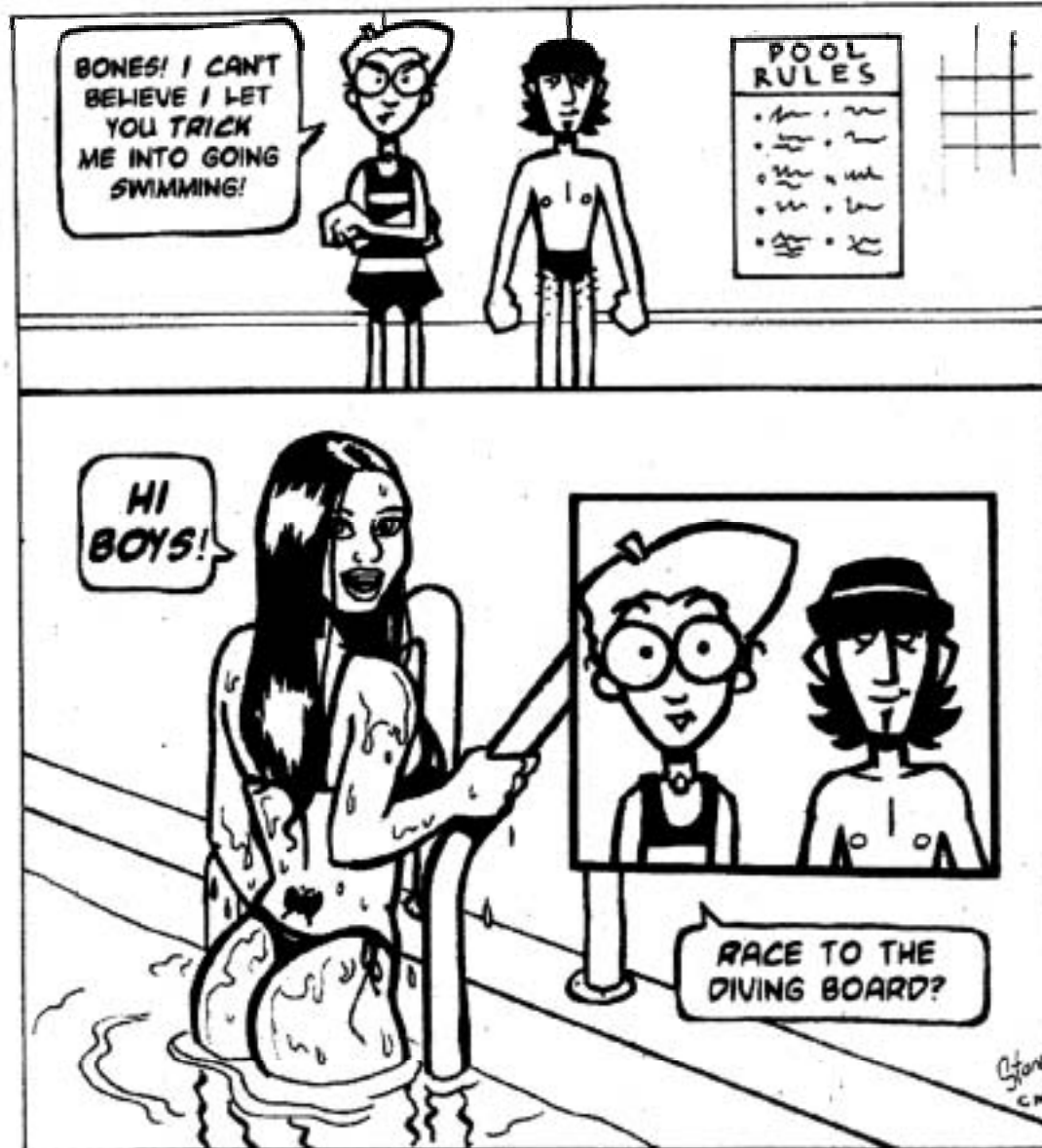
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Horoscopes

For the week of Sept. 8-14:

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For the week of Sept. 8-14:

Aries (March 21-April 20). Long-term romantic motives or family dynamics require delicate emotional negotiations. After Tuesday, a recent phase of miscommunications between lovers, close friends or family members will end. Watch carefully for subtle signs of lasting change. Wednesday through Sunday, many Aries natives will also experience a wave of business ambition and financial awareness. Stay alert. Loved ones will closely scrutinize your workplace decisions and career ideals.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Love affairs and trusted friendships enter a nostalgic stage. Over the next few days, loved ones may be unusually sensitive to changing information or distrustful of planned events. Ironically, moodiness and social doubt are precursors to meaningful romantic commitment. Respond honestly to all invitations and proposals. After Thursday, single Taureans will encounter a new attraction or sultry flirtation. Remain cautious, however, and wait for bold public promises.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Over the next few days, intimate relationships are socially complex and deeply felt. Early Tuesday, expect lovers or close friends to express a renewed interest in shared activities. Many Geminis will experience changing priorities in key relationships and an increase in romantic sentiments. Loved ones will demand concrete statements of affection and reliable group plans. After midweek, rest and listen to the wisdom of the body. Physical vitality may be low.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). This week, honest communi-

cations are essential. Listen closely to the subtle signals or private observations of loved ones. Over the next eight days, friends and lovers will either accept or dismiss serious commitments. Some Cancerians may find it necessary to allow a potential lover to quietly leave their lives. Be patient and expect key social or romantic information to arrive without warning. Remain calmly detached and trust your initial instincts. Your judgment is accurate.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Family discussions may reveal important information. Stay focused on small details and gain as much insight into past events as possible. Some Leos may encounter a profound flash of intuition concerning the conduct of a loved one. Remain assertive. This is not the right time to avoid delicate issues or ignore differing social values. After Friday, submit applications or request special permissions. Business income and job opportunities will increase.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Unethical workplace practices will be exposed. A recent period of hidden politics and business conflict is ending. Over the next three days, study the private reactions of close friends or colleagues. Shared attitudes and public opinion will shift to accommodate team involvement and creative suggestions. After Thursday, a friendship may quickly turn flirtatious. Remain cautious. New attractions are unreliable and easily challenged by group disapproval.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Monday through Wednesday is an excellent time to address a previously ignored dispute with a close friend or relative. Sensitivity and candid communications are ongoing themes. Loved ones will easily understand and appreciate

your perspective. Pay special attention, however, to financial disappointments, lost career ambition and misinterpreted romantic or social invitations. Yesterday's emotional mistakes need to be revealed and permanently resolved. Stay open.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Early this week, a close friend or business associate may revert back to unproductive habits. Listlessness and social nostalgia will affect important relationships for the next three days. For many Scorpions this will actually initiate a key phase of self-reflection and inner growth. After midweek, watch for a sharp rise in creativity, intuition or dream activity. Remain open to meaningful insights. Your social wisdom and ability to address private doubts between loved ones is strong.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Workplace setbacks may be unavoidable this week. Over the next few days, close colleagues may unknowingly reveal the future of workplace relations. Key issues may involve a reaction to difficult news, delayed job promotions, conflicted schedules or falsified records. Promptly handle all minor errors. After Thursday, small or ignored problems will quickly escalate. Late Friday, accept all new social invitations and join group activities. Optimism and vitality will return.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Career recognition may arrive without warning. Early this week, colleagues and officials will acknowledge their role in recent mistakes and compliment your efforts. Remain quietly dedicated, however, and expect continuing delays for the next eight days. After Wednesday, an unexpected social invitation from a co-worker or business associate may be unnerving. Carefully

FIVE, PHASING OUT DOPEY AND SNEEZY... AND IN A MARKETING MOVE, SHE'LL CHANGE GRUMPY'S NAME TO 'MOODY.'"



consider the feelings of older friends or relatives. Social or group expectations may be high.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Complex friendships will offer fresh insights and new group opportunities. Monday through Thursday, watch for friends and lovers to issue rare invitations or initiate important discussions. Areas affected are isolated family members, shared activities or planned celebrations. Added sensitivity to the needs of others will bring improved relations. After mid-week, accept new emotional intimacy from loved ones and expect deeper commitments to be proposed.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Employment discussions will provide valuable insights. Over the next two days, expect colleagues or work officials to hint at new directions or hidden corporate politics. Remain open to fresh assignments and volunteer positions. At present, your ability to be flexible with language will lead to new financial opportunities. Later Friday, a close friend or relative may be moody or introspective. Not to worry; a new attitude toward family obligations will emerge.

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Traditions are worth preserving

By

J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer
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What a game, huh? That was what I call a great game. I love big defensive plays and good hard-fought defensive games.

I have to say that going into the game, I was worried. Worried a lot. I was wondering if Mullins would live up to the hype. If (as I asked last week) those invading freshmen would step up to the plate and swing the bat. Well, they more than swung the bat – they hit several homers, and I am going out on a limb here to say that without them the Gamecocks would not have fared so well.

Alabama won too. Woohoo! And Auburn lost. Even better! This weekend, as far as sports goes, could not have gone much better.

But through all those games, seeing and listening to all those great college moments, my most enjoyable time was seeing a bunch of high school kids make a grand attempt at football.

Yes, since everyone else is making revelations about addictions, I have one. I love high school football. And thank whomever, I have a job that pays me to watch what I

JSU downs A&M with defense

Freshman Agee, new QB Mullins and veteran runner Chapman all have big games; defense comes near shutout

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

JSU came up with two huge defensive stands Saturday against in-state rival Alabama A&M, giving the Gamecocks their first win of the year, 9-3.

Several JSU freshmen got in on the win, including Craig Agee, a true freshman from Mississippi, who led the Gamecocks in total reception yardage with 65 and tied senior Ralph Jenkins with three catches.

"Who wouldn't be nervous?" said Agee after the game. "I was **always** told that if **you're** not nervous, you don't love the game."

The Gamecocks' leading rusher was no surprise, though. Kory Chapman, the man head coach Jack Crowe is relying on to fill the hole left by Rondy Rogers, ran through a lot of holes Saturday, finishing with 15 carries for 112 yards.

But everyone's big question was answered emphatically. Maurice Mullins rushed eight times for 10 yards and completed 8-of-14 passes for 145 yards and one touchdown.

The offense was not without its problems though. The Gamecocks missed two chances to score inside the red zone, one of those being inches and goal to go. Crowe was quick to lay the blame on the whole offense and not just Mullins though.

"I **wouldn't** put it all on (Mullins)," said Crowe. "Some of it was the backfield, some up front, some the quarterback and some miscommunication."

But Crowe had no complaints about his defense and their huge plays. The Gamecock defense came up with two sacks, two interceptions and one recovered fumble, and they held the Bulldogs to an average field position on their own 20.

"Our defense has been showing signs [during the preseason]," said Crowe.

The Gamecock defense also came up with what proved to be the game winning plays, with two goal-line stands, one on third-and-one and the other on fourth-and-inches.

"Holding people on the goal line and moving the ball on the clock separates the wanna-bes from the can-



File photo

Kory Chapman stretches for extra yardage in a game last season. Chapman played behind star running back Rondy Rogers last year, but had a breakout game Saturday with 15 carries for 112 yards. Chapman will get his next chance against the University of North Alabama on Sept. 13.

bes," said Crowe.

The first JSU score came on a 14-yard pass from Mullins to Jenkins late in the first quarter, capping off a six-play, 31-yard drive. The Steven Lee kick failed to pass through the goal posts, giving JSU a 6-0 lead.

The Bulldogs would drive back in the second quarter, but would have to settle for a 22-yard field goal, as both

teams went to the locker room with the score 6-3.

Lee would redeem himself with 10:53 to play in the game, with a 25-yarder to put the Gamecocks up 9-3.

On the ensuing drive, the Bulldogs took the ball 90 yards and took 5:12 off the clock to put them on the JSU 1-yard line.

"We are going to find out what we are made out of,"

recounted Crowe on what he was thinking during the plays.

Both A&M attempts to put the ball past the surging JSU defense were fruitless, and the Gamecocks took over on downs.

"That was something that we had been practicing for," said Jonathan Dryer, a senior linebacker from Ft. Payne, Ala. "And it paid off."

“ You have two new messages ”

thank whomever, I have a job that pays me to watch what I love.

I have been going to high school football games since I was born. I can't remember a Friday night that I didn't get ready with my mom and a few other die-hard fans, and shortly after school let out we were sitting at the gate.

I miss those days. I told my mother Saturday morning that all football stadiums smelled the same. I had never noticed that before.

Probably because I can't remember going to a game without her. I cried a little Saturday after that small discussion. It's funny how you take things for granted and never really think about them, until you might lose them.

So this Friday night I will be packing up the WHOLE Guthrie clan in our Chevy van, and we will take my nephew to his second season of Valley Cub football. See, he was born late in November of 2001, and we couldn't get him in on the season.

They will cheer and yell as always, but my only drawback is I will be in the press box. It's not very professional to yell at a game you're covering.

Then go down at halftime and talk to the same people that I have been talking to for years, people that probably passed me around when I was a baby.

And they will be passing my nephew around, carrying on like it's the first baby they have ever seen. Like they always do.

Some things never change. Some things do. But it's up to our generation to make sure traditions like these keep going. And if you don't have a tradition like that, make one. It's not hard to go to a football game on a Friday or Saturday night.

“... You have two new messages ...”

Fuller comes from no-nonsense coaching, no-nonsense program

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

JSU has sent a message. A message stating that every campus sports program can win and will compete for conference championships. In 2003, Jacksonville State will be under a new umbrella, the Ohio Valley Conference.

Therefore, all the rain must stop, from the football team having two winning seasons in the last 10 years to the expensive travel costs of competing in other conferences.

JSU has sent a messenger. A man said by many to be a man of loyalty. A man with dedication, a man who knows how to win, and a man that has the courage to do what's best for our school.

JSU has sent Jim Fuller, a native of Birmingham, to lead the movement into this new era and spread the message. Fuller is not exactly plotting a course in uncharted waters here. In fact, this is his third employment stint with the JSU athletic department.

How many people in this world can say they have had the honor of being hired by the same employer three times? “I knew I didn't want to coach again, but I thought there was something I could do for somebody in athletics,” said Fuller, “I'm excited to be a part of Jax State again.”

Fuller knows about winning as well, since he was part of two national champi-

onships at Alabama and played under Paul “Bear” Bryant from 1964-67.

Fuller began his coaching career at Fairfield High School. In 1970 he came to JSU as an assistant coach and served till 1973, and then came back in 1975.

In 1977 he was named head football coach, guiding the program to a 48-20 record, six playoff appearances and four Gulf South Conference crowns. Fuller was named GSC Coach of the Year three times and Regional Coach of the Year twice.

In 1983 Fuller returned to Alabama and coached under Ray Perkins. Fuller came in at a time when a lot of questions surrounded the University of Alabama because of the retirement of Bear Bryant.

Fuller was the lone coach to survive three coaching changes over the next 15 years, and he credits loyalty as the reason.

“I had a meeting with everybody involved with the athletic department and explained to them that from the equipment manager and laundry service to the Athletic Director, we all have to be loyal to each other.”

Fuller has sent a message to the entire Gamecock community. A message and a vow that he will get people and the student body behind JSU athletics. “We're doing



Jim Fuller

everything we can to satisfy everybody. The band people want to have their own section so we gave it to them, the student body wanted their own section, and they got it. The evening people wanted games at night so they'll have an opportunity to watch games during the day, so we're doing our part to take care of everybody.”

Fuller also noted that there are games with North Alabama, Samford and Alabama A&M on the schedule, schools that fans are familiar with and have some identity with.

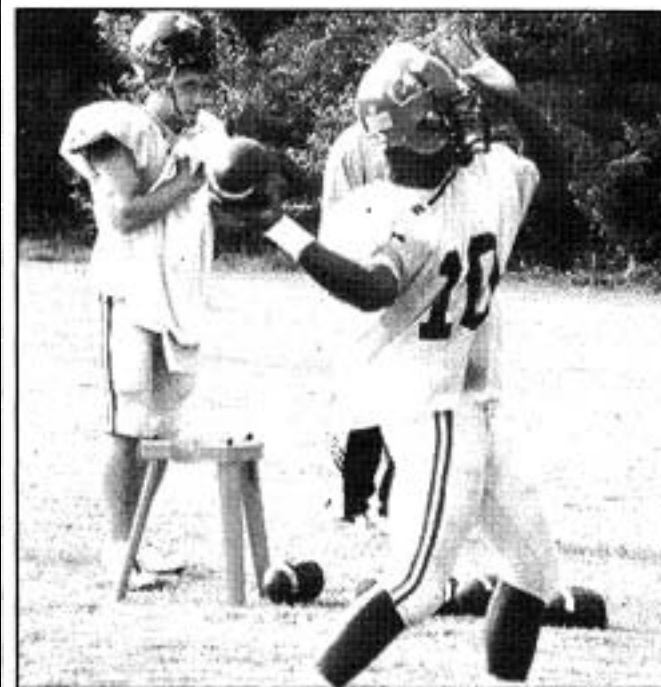
Above all else, winning will take care of the fans. “I have a responsibility, once the fans are in the seats. They want to cheer for a winning team, so I will have a meeting with the football team and tell them how important winning is to keeping people in the seats.”

“I have made known my wishes for this university and the athletic program, and I want every program on campus to succeed. My door is always open and I care just as much about student athletes on the golf team, soccer team, volleyball team as I do for those on the football team.”

JSU and Jim Fuller have sent messages. Does anyone want to respond?

End of messages. To delete. Press nothing. To save, support your Jacksonville State Gamecocks.

Mullins-Mayo choice came down to the game, numbers



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By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The second biggest question on every Gamecock fan's mind Saturday must have been “How is this first time starter going to do?”. The biggest question was, “Are we gonna win or not?”.

Well the stats tell the tale pretty well. Maurice Mullins went 8-for-14 without an interception, passing for 145 yards and rushing for another 10.

But inconsistency plagued the Gamecocks. And an inability to score within the red zone caused a game that could well have seen 21 or 28 offensive points to finish with a 9-3 score more suitable for baseball.

Anthony Mayo did come in for a series early in the first quarter and looked a little rusty. Mayo was 1-for-2 passing for 3 yards, and he only stayed in the game for one series.

“I wanted to make sure that he had a feel for the game,” said head coach Jack Crowe.

Crowe said that it is always a possibility for someone to get hurt, and he wanted his back-up to know what to expect.

But eliminating any hint of a quarterback controversy, Crowe followed up by saying that there is no question and no doubt.

Mullins is his starting quarterback.

Volleyball opens season with win

Auburn Invitational Tournament coming up next

By Mike Vaughan II
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

The volleyball Gamecocks welcomed a familiar foe to Pete Mathews Coliseum on Saturday as they opened the 2003 season. Gardner-Webb traveled from North Carolina for the game and left on the short end of a 3-0 sweep, as JSU won in three games, 30-19, 30-25, and 30-24. Jacksonville State is now 3-0 all time against the Bulldogs.

The Gamecocks were led by Jennifer Brenneman and Shari Weyer, who had 13 kills apiece. Weyer only had one error, Brenneman only three. Meredith Duke had 28 assists, and also four service aces. Emily Withers and Weyer added two aces apiece. Kisha West and Brenneman both recorded 10 digs, while Weyer had four blocks. Also recording two blocks were Suzi Terrell, Brenneman and Christina Cary.

The first game of the match opened very evenly as both teams seemed to be feeling each other out. JSU held a tenuous 18-16 lead

when they broke open a 12-3 run to win by the 30-19 mark. Key kills by Shari Weyer and Christina Cary helped spark the outburst.

Game two was much like the first, as a 13-12 Bulldog lead was erased after a 14-6 JSU run which handed them a 26-19 advantage. A desperate 6-3 run late in the game by Gardner-Webb was ineffective, as JSU scored the final two to win 30-25.

The third and final game saw the Gamecocks hungry for the sweep, and they sprinted out early to achieve it. JSU built a 17-9 lead early, then tacked on a 7-1 run for an 11-point spread. GWU was determined not to be blown out, however, and used their best run of the match, a 10-3 break, to pull the game to within 4, at 28-24.

This proved to be too little, too late, as JSU finished with the final 2 points to win before a crowd of roughly 150. The final score was 30-24.

Coach Rick Nold was very proud of the performance by his squad. "We ran our offense well," he said. "We had good hits,

good sets and good distribution. We needed to get everyone involved, and I believe we did that."

Nold also commented on 6-4 freshman Shari Weyer, who appeared to dominate the game when she was in. "She played very well, and for us to have a big season we need her and Christina [Cary] to be big inside."

The players also had glowing remarks for the striker. Senior Jennifer Brenneman, who had 13 kills and 10 digs, said, "She was huge. We need a girl that can put it down, and she's a terminator."

Fellow senior Meredith Duke looked ahead to the Auburn tournament, saying, "We feel confident heading to Auburn. If we play like we can, we're equal to any team down there."

They will find out just how equal on Friday, as they play Bethune-Cookman on the first day of the Auburn Invitational Tournament. They then play a doubleheader on Saturday, as they play Alabama State in an early game, then play host Auburn in the nightcap.

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Rhodes once again

named conference

Player of the Week



By Amado Ortiz
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Jacksonville State All-American punter Richie Rhodes has been named the Ohio Valley Conference Special Teams Player of the Week, the league office announced Monday afternoon.

Rhodes has now won Conference Player-of-the-Week honors four times during his career and has twice been named the National Player of the Week.

Rhodes, a junior from Alexander City, helped JSU to a 9-3 win over Alabama A&M by finishing with six punts for a 42.3-yard punting average. He finished the game with a long punt of 56 yards, the fourth longest of his career, and he also had a punt downed inside the 1-yard line early in the first quarter.

Although special teams are often overlooked, with a star like Rhodes, JSU should win the all-important field possession battle every week.

The Gamecocks have an open date this week and return to action on Sept. 13 against the Lions of North Alabama at Paul Snow Stadium. Kick-off of the Gamecocks' home opener is set for 7.



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Football

	OVC	PF	PA	Overall	PF	PA	Stk.
Samford	0-0	0	0	1-0	31	23	W1
Tennessee-Martin	0-0	0	0	1-0	21	20	W1
Eastern Illinois	0-0	0	0	1-0	27	0	W1
Jacksonville State	0-0	0	0	1-0	9	3	W1
Murray State	0-0	0	0	1-0	34	0	W1
Tennessee State	0-0	0	0	1-0	37	20	W1
Eastern Kentucky	0-0	0	0	0-1	13	63	L1
Southeast Missouri	0-0	0	0	0-1	3	17	L1

Gamecock soccer falls to Crimson Tide

'Cocks defeated 7-2 by Alabama; drop close one to Birmingham-Southern; JSU will try to get back on track at Mississippi Valley State Sunday

By Mike Vaughan II
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

A young but hungry

One minute later, Probst would put in her second goal of the game, this one unassisted, and Dawn Nash

A young but hungry Gamecock soccer team took the field last Friday as they opened their 2003 schedule, and also christened a new field. The result was less than stellar: a 7-2 defeat to in-state rival Alabama. JSU played again Sunday, with a much closer and hard fought game against Birmingham-Southern. The final in that game was 1-0 BSC, dropping the Gamecocks to 0-2.

The first game saw Alabama come to Jacksonville for the first time in school history. The game also marked the opening of the new as-yet-unnamed soccer field. A good crowd of roughly 450 arrived to watch the Gamecocks and Crimson Tide. The home crowd was disappointed with the final, as Alabama fully dominated the ladies of JSU by a 7-2 score. The Gamecocks were outshot 16-8, and were out-corner-kicked by a 13-8 margin, and these kicks led to some easy UA scoring opportunities.

The first half started quickly for the visitors. Just 7:27 into the game Kylie Boyd shot a ball past a diving Amanda Stevens for the first goal. Five short minutes later, Libby Probst went unassisted, putting in a loose ball in front of the goal, stretching the UA lead to 2-0.

It only took JSU 53 seconds to answer, however, as Ashley Smith put in a corner kick from Liz Hendricks to cut the lead in half.

Alabama answered in only :16 as Courtney Cockrill took a loose ball, raced toward the goal and converted, upping the lead to 3-1.

goal of the game, this one unassisted, and Dawn Nash took a pass from Probst to score at the 21:10 mark to build an insurmountable 5-1 lead. Tiffanie Stewart answered with an unassisted goal at 23:36, slimming the lead to 5-2, and that was the score at the half. Alabama outshot JSU in the half 11-4.

The second half was much less eventful, as Alabama was content with their lead, and looked to drain the clock when they had the ball. Nash did put a goal in at the 52:38 point of the game, giving UA a 6-2 lead. Six minutes later, Nash finished off the hat trick with her final goal, assisted by Cockrill. Shortly afterward, JSU made a goalie change, bringing in Jennifer Atchley, and Stephens received a nice hand for her efforts. UA only attempted one shot after that, as JSU tried three unsuccessful shots as the clock expired.

JSU's youth movement was very evident in the starting lineup and in the scoring, as there were five sophomores and three freshmen starting, and the scoring came from them. Tiffanie Stewart and Ashley Smith, the two goal scorers, are a freshman and sophomore, respectively, and the assist came from Liz Hendricks, also a sophomore, though she did get extended playing time last year.

Coach Lisa Howe knew the impact playing a team like Alabama could have. "You have to play better teams to get better," she said.

"We were exposed on a few things we need to work on, and that's what we were

University tonight, we have looked like the all-stars."

Tiff Stewart also spoke of that importance, saying "It's an advantage knowing what we have to work with now. We're a young team, so now we need to make practices effective to get better."

Liz Hendricks spoke about the lopsided win in different terms. "We just put this behind us now, and go on," Hendricks said. "We knew this may happen so we were ready, and it won't happen again."

The next opportunity came Sunday as the team traveled to Birmingham to play the Birmingham-Southern Cougars. This was a very hot game, as the thermometer hit 93. Both teams were warm, and the final score reflected that, as BSC pulled out the narrow 1-0 victory. The first half only saw a 5-2 shot lead by BSC, but they put one of those through at the 18:06 mark, when Brittney Jones put in an unassisted goal, and that was all they needed. The second half featured 15 BSC shots, but none were true. Though the final shot margin was 20-5, the final score was only 1-0. Jennifer Atchley, a senior, got the start in goal and actually outsaved the Cougar goalie 6-5.

The soccer team will try to get in the win column on Sunday in Itta Bena, Miss., against the Mississippi Valley State Delta Devils.

They will return home two days later against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga on Tuesday.

Southeast Missouri

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NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

Thursday, September 4

West Alabama at Samford - 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 6

Tennessee Tech at Northern Illinois - 12:05 p.m.

Appalachian State at Eastern Kentucky - 2:30 p.m. (CSTV)

Murray State at Kentucky - 6 p.m.

Tennessee-Martin at Arkansas State - 6 p.m.

Southeast Missouri at Southern Illinois - 6:30 p.m. (FOX SN)

Tennessee State at Alabama A&M - 6:30 p.m.

Soccer

	W-L-T	PCT.	GF	GA		W-L-T	GF	GA
Murray State	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	2-0-0	6	1
Samford	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	2-0-0	8	1
Eastern Illinois	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	1-0-0	6	0
S.E. Missouri	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	1-0-1	2	1
Tennessee-Martin	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	1-0-1	6	1
Austin Peay	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	1-1-0	3	3
Morehead State	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	1-1-0	5	2
Tennessee Tech	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	1-1-0	2	2
Jacksonville State	0-0-0	.000	0	0	—	0-2-0	2	8

NEXT WEEK's GAMES

Sun	Sept. 7	at Mississippi Valley State	Itta Bena, Miss. 1 p.m.
Tue	Sept. 9	vs Tenn.-Chattanooga	Jacksonville 7 p.m.

Volleyball

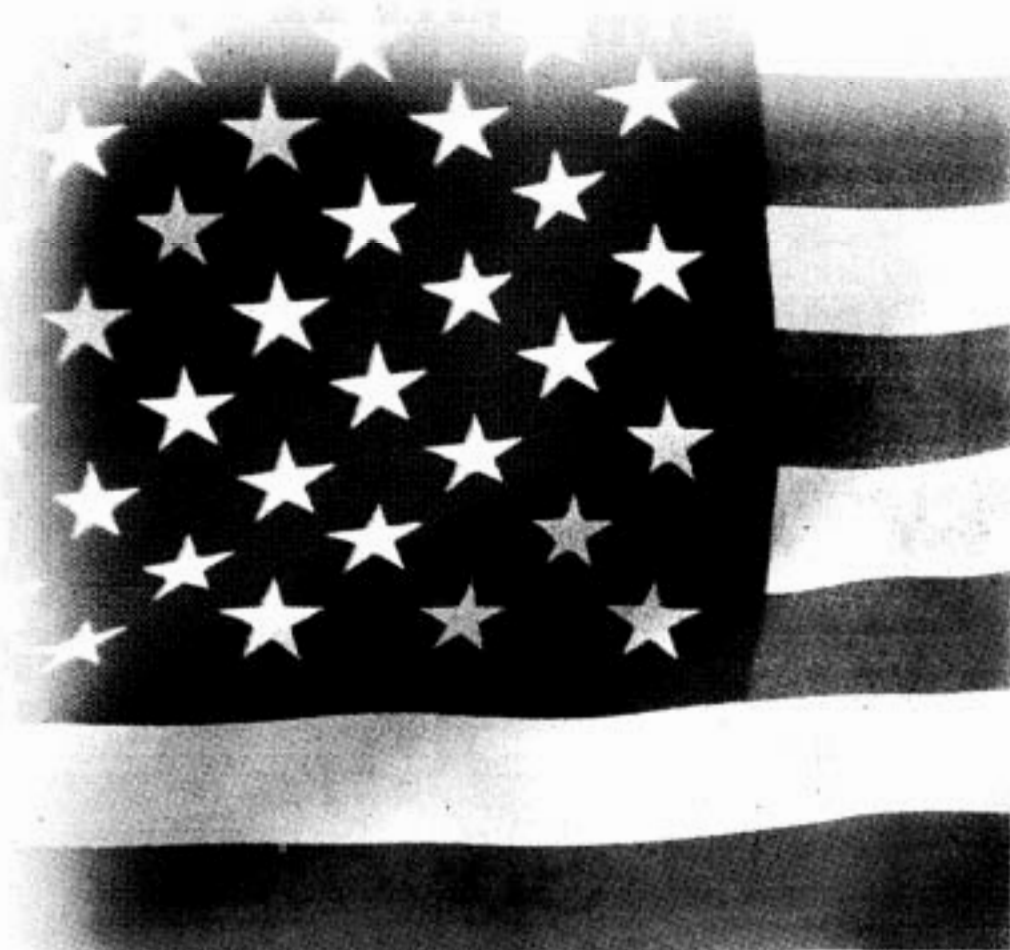
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Morehead State	0-0	.000	—	3-0	1.000	W3
Jacksonville State	0-0	.000	—	1-0	1.000	W1
Eastern Illinois	0-0	.000	—	2-1	.667	L1
Tennessee State	0-0	.000	—	2-1	.667	L1
Austin Peay	0-0	.000	—	1-2	.333	L2
Eastern Kentucky	0-0	.000	—	1-3	.250	L1
Murray State	0-0	.000	—	0-0	.000	—
Samford	0-0	.000	—	0-3	.000	L3
Tennessee Tech	0-0	.000	—	0-3	.000	L3
Southeast Missouri	0-0	.000	—	0-4	.000	L4
Tennessee-Martin	0-0	.000	—	0-4	.000	L4

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

Fri	Sept. 5	Bethune Cookman/ Auburn Invitational - Auburn, Ala. 5 p.m.
Sat	Sept. 6	Alabama State/ Auburn Invitational - Auburn, Ala. 10 a.m.
Sat	Sept. 6	Auburn/ Auburn Invitational - Auburn, Ala. 7 p.m.
Tue	Sept. 9	at UT Chattanooga - Chattanooga, Tenn. 7 p.m.

You are invited!

**GOVERNOR RILEY TO SPEAK AT TAX
REFORM RALLY IN JACKSONVILLE**



Govenor Bob Riley will speak
to voters during a rally on the
Jacksonville Square*

TONIGHT

- just 5 days before the
referendum on the Tax Reform
and Accountability package.

*In case of inclement weather, the rally will
be held in Leone Cole Auditorium on the
JSU campus. For more information call the
JSU News Bureau (256) 782-5828.

JACKSONVILLE CITY SQUARE

5:30 P.M.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 4TH

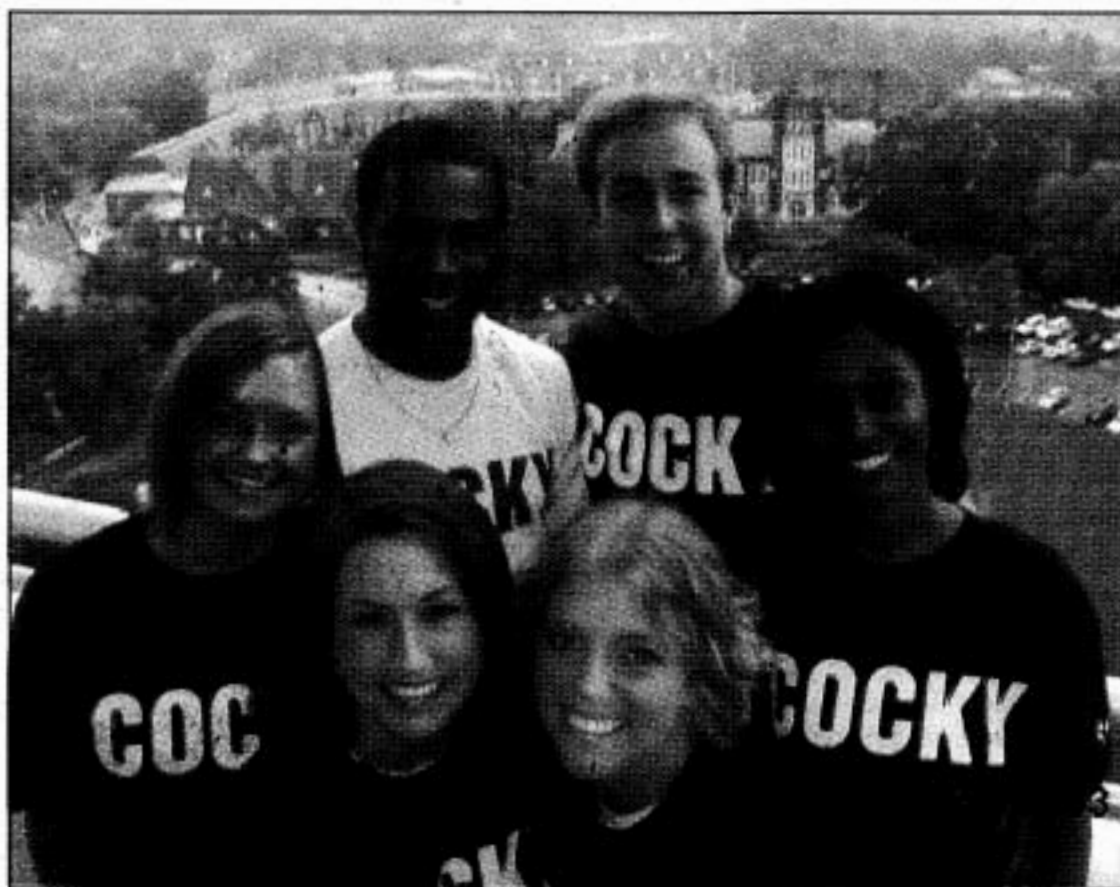
Vote Yes on September 9th!

SGA Leading the Way!

The Student Government Association extends an enthusiastic welcome to everyone as we begin the 2003 fall semester. Over the past few months the SGA Executive Officers have been diligently planning and preparing the activities for the year. The Officers attended the National Association for Student Services Conference in April where they were informed, influenced, and inspired by leaders from all over the United States. The team returned to JSU with incredible ideas and new techniques for more effective advertising and events. Members of the SGA Senate, Student Activities Council, and Justices attended a training retreat where they were instructed about their responsibilities to the JSU student body as leaders on this campus.

Emily Williams, Vice President of Student Senate, presides over the 35 elected student leaders that compose the SGA Senate. She wishes to utilize all branches of SGA to collectively achieve the goals established on behalf of the students. SGA Senate meetings are open to the public and are held every Monday night at 6:00 pm in the TMB Auditorium. For more information on becoming a Senator call 782-5491.

Jennifer Mince, Director of Publicity, is responsible for overseeing advertising and promotions for the Student Government Association. Her goal is to create more interactive publicity to promote SGA events. The publicity committee has a place for you. Get involved in the action! The time is NOW to get excited about student activities at Jacksonville State University!



Mardracus Russell, Vice President of Student Activities, oversees all programming, events, and entertainment that will be provided throughout the school terms. He and the Student Activities Council are searching to find exciting and inventive entertainment for the students' enjoyment. If you would like to assist the SAC in their efforts, it's as easy as completing a form! Committee positions are now available for interested students in Office 402 TMB.

Angela Estes, SGA Chief Justice, is the judicial advocate for all JSU students. She is the facilitator of SGA Traffic Court at which students who have received citations for campus traffic violations may contest to the University Police Department. Traffic Court meets the first Monday of each month on the 3rd floor of TMB. If you receive a ticket you must appeal it within 10 days at the University Police Department located in Salls Hall.

SGA President Chris Cook is the representative of the students' voice to the faculty, staff, and administration. He is working to bridge the gap and strengthen the bond between the students and the faculty. His vision includes more proactive service on University Committees and the inclusion of JSU personnel in student activities. Through the improvement of these relations, he hopes to open more doors of opportunity for those at JSU. Alesha Ingram, Vice President of Organizational Affairs, is making efforts to ensure that all aspects of the student body are involved in SGA. Her position involves interactions between the 80 organizations on this campus. She has reorganized the structure of the Organizational Council and has opened avenues of communication among student groups. She hopes to educate the campus community about the benefits of involvement with the Organizational Council. If you are a member of an organization that is not currently active with other groups, visit the Office of Student Life and become involved today.

There's something for everyone and you can find your place through involvement in extracurricular experiences. Explore the many opportunities and let SGA lead your way to an amazing collegiate experience!

GO GAMECOCKS!